Registration of Chitties during 1100 to 1104.

172. **MR. D. C. JOSEPH** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of auction *chitties* registered in the State during 1100, 1101, 1102, 1103 and 1104; and

(*b*) the number of those *chitty* records examined by the District Registrars every year independently of their legitimate duties and along with their general circuiting work?

MR. T K. MADHAVAN NAYAR (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): A statement* giving the required information is laid on the table.

The Haripad-Veeyapuram Road.

173. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): With reference to the answer to question No. 19, asked at the meeting of the Council held on the 1st August 1929, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the estimated cost of the Haripad-Veeyapuram road; and

(*b*) whether they are aware that, in addition to its local importance, the above road connects the Veeyapuram depot with the Quilon-Alleppey road?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Rs. 40,000 approximately.

(*b*) Yes.

Improvement of live-stock in the State.

174. **MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN** (*Mavelikara* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state the steps taken by them for the improvement of the live-stock in the State?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): The member is referred to the Annual Reports of the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Toddy shops in the Agastisvaram Taluk.

175. **MR. D. C. JOSEPH** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the total number of toddy shops conducted in 1104 in the Agastisvaram taluk;

(*b*) the rental value realised from every shop in 1104;

(*c*) the number of palmyra trees sanctioned for every shop for tapping toddy;

(*d*) the quantity tapped for daily sale in every shop and the actual quantity sold daily;

(*e*) whether any uniform measure is adopted for the sale of toddy in every shop;

(*f*) whether any daily test is made to ascertain the genuineness of toddy and whether any stock is kept for the next day's sale;

* *Vide* Appendix XV—page 504.

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(*g*) why toddy contractors buy sweet toddy; and

(*h*) whether toddy is available throughout the year, and, if not how do the contractors account for the perennial supply ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) 19.

(*b*) and (*c*) Statements* containing the information required are laid on the table.

(*d*) The information is not available.

(*e*) The answer is in the negative.

(*f*) The answer to the first part of the question is in the negative. As regards the second part, the unsold balance of a day is sometimes kept over for sale during the next day.

(*g*) The information is not available. Under the conditions of the license, the contractors are not allowed to sell sweet toddy in the shops. The admixture of sweet toddy with fermented toddy is also prohibited.

(*h*) The licensees of the Agastisvaram taluk depend for the supply of toddy almost entirely on palmyras. This supply fails from Edavam to Karkatakam when some contractors resort to cocoanut trees. Other contractors manage to get palmyras near the frontier, where the trees yield toddy during this period also. Those who are unable to resort to either of these methods close their shops for the time being.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*): Will the member be pleased to state the total number of shops that were closed for want of toddy supply ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

Expenditure on the M. S. and Village Roads in South Travancore during Chingam to Tulam 1105.

176. **MR. D. C. JOSEPH** (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state the amount spent in Chingam, Kanni and Tulam 1105 on the M. S. road up to the Aramboly frontier and on the village roads in South Travancore during that period ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*):

		Chingam	Kanni	Tulam
M. S. Road	Rs.	19,943	16,545	12,765
Village roads	,,	270	527	208

Statement, by caste, of appointments made by the Dewan Peishkars during Chingam and Kanni 1105.

177. **MR. P. S. MAHOMED** (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of appointments made by the Dewan Peishkars separately during the months of Chingam and Kanni 1105 ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*): A statement † showing the required particulars is laid on the table.

* *Vide* Appendix XVI—page 505. † *Vide* Appendix XVII—page 506.

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Appendix XVI.

Vide **Answer to Question No. 175.**

Statement showing the rental value realised from every shop in Agastisvaram taluk in 1104 and the number of palmyra trees sanctioned for every shop.

Shop No.	Rental. Rs.
1	4,000
2	4,000
3	3,005
4	2,505
5	3,460
6	3,000
7	2,050
8	5,050
9	3,480
10	4,200
11	2,305
12	3,430
13	7,100
14	3,210
15	6,405
16	1,205
17	2,500
18	2,250
19	2,610

Shop No.	No. of palmyra trees sanctioned during 1st half year of 1104.	No. of palmyra trees sanctioned during 2nd half year of 1104.
1	130	80
2	130	100
3	95	60
4	95	60
5	90	95
6	125	70
7	120	90
8	140	120
9	130	60
10	120	95
11	100	100
12	150	80
13	275	150
14	110	75
15	295	200
16	80	50
17	80	40
18	115	75
19	140	40

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